

ArizonaSERVES Foster Care Action Plan

NEED: Foster parents to care and support children who may not be able to safely remain in their homes; Community support for families who are caring for foster children.

Start Date	Action/Purpose	Responsible Team Member/Next Steps	Completion Date
8/13/10	Promoting outreach & maximizing resources	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Team members will engage in discussion about the issue, informally and by request; 2. Invitation to provide opening remarks at Arizona Interfaith Coalition for Foster Children and Families (AICFCF) conference and participate in a panel discussion about ArizonaSERVES at the State Capitol; 3. Team will report outreach efforts to Chuck; 4. Create an overview that can be used as a handout and webpage introduction of the issue to engage the faith community; obtain team feedback; 5. Investigate possibility of adding an email registration tool on the website 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ongoing 2. 10/21/10 3. Ongoing 4. 11/9/10 5. 12/17/10
9/28/10	Identify needs and ways to leverage community resources to improve systems of services	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Invite a guest speaker to learn background information on the issue 2. Obtain updated information from DES regarding the foster children statistics for use in the handout and goals; 3. Team members will seek information and talk to organizations providing services 4. The team will talk with Mark Upton, Christian Family Care Agency re how the faith community can connect to this issue, recruitment successes and effective resources. 5. Collaborate with upcoming the Focus on the Family efforts 6. Collaborate with upcoming Arizona CityFest Family Well-Being Impact Day 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 9/28/10 2. 10/22/10 3. Ongoing 4. 11/9/10 5. Jan-Jun 2011 6. Mar 2011
3/4/10	Provide recommendations for inclusion on ArizonaSERVES website	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Members will review draft toolkit and provide feedback. 2. Add organizations that license or assist foster families 3. Launch new issue page and full toolkit 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 11/9/10 2. Ongoing 3. 12/17/10
August 2010	Promote service and volunteerism	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Team members will engage in informal conversations and personal invitations to faith based groups; 2. All members will continually identify influential pastors seeking to champion this issue 3. Russ discussed outreach to Valley Pastor's Network at next meeting 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ongoing 2. Ongoing 3. Dec 2010
Oct 2010	Improve collaborations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All members will seek opportunities for the Task Force to participate in existing events/activities (AICFCF conference; Gov's Service and Volunteerism conference, Cityfest Impact Day, etc.) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ongoing